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In re application of: Cho et al.

Application No.: 09/995,885

Group No.: 1725

Filed: November 28, 2001

Examiner: Jonathan J. Johnson

For: Method and Apparatus for Welding

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Washington, D.C. 20231

ATTENTION: Supervisory Patent Examiner, Group 1725

DECLARATION OF PATRICIA E. McQUEENEY IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

I, Patricia E. McQueeney, am the current attorney of record in the above-captioned matter. I did not receive the Notice of Allowability, the Notice of Allowance and/or the Notice of Abandonment in the above-captioned application. A full search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Notice of Allowability, the Notice of Allowance and/or the Notice of

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Abandonment were not received. Enclosed herewith as Exhibit 1 is a copy of the docket record into which receipt of the Notice of Allowability, the Notice of Allowance and/or the Notice of Abandonment would have been noted had it been received.

On or about December of 2002, Applicants hired the undersigned to help them prepare a response to the outstanding Office Action issued on October 15, 2002. The response was completed and filed, along with a one-month extension of time, on February 18, 2003.

Due to economic difficulties, Applicants were forced to close their corporation (Morpho) on February 11, 2003 (see Declaration of Hueng Ki Cho). The Notice of Allowability was mailed to Applicants' corporate address on March 8, 2003 and therefore never received.

Examiner Johnson telephoned on or about May 20, 2003 inquiring as to the status of the undersigned in the above-captioned application based on the signature included in the response filed February 18, 2003. The Power of Attorney and change of correspondence address was transmitted at that time via facsimile (see Exhibit 2). Examiner Johnson did not indicate that he had already taken action in the case. As he requested the Power of Attorney, it was assumed that he was just acting on our response. Due to my experience as a Patent Examiner, the undersigned was aware of the fact that responses to Office Actions must be acted on within four months. The PTO goals during my time as an Examiner were known as 14-4-4-4. This meant that a first action on the merits (FAOM) was supposed to be issued within fourteen months of filing the patent application, action to any response was supposed to be issued within four months of the response, etc. As Examiner Johnson telephoned in May and the response had been filed in

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February, the timing coincided with my experience and a six-month follow up was docketed to

make sure that the application was proceeding.

On or about December 3, 2003, the undersigned telephoned Patent Examiner Johnson to

determine the status of the application because we had not received any papers in the case. He

indicated that the application had gone abandoned for failure to pay the issue fee. The clients

were contacted and this Petition was prepared.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that

all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these

statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are

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DECLARATION OF HEUNG KI CHO IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

I, Heung Ki Cho, am one of the Applicants in the above-captioned matter. I am also the Resident Agent and former President of Morpho Corporation ("Morpho"). On February 11, 2003, Morpho was dissolved due to economic difficulties. As Resident Agent for Morpho, I did not receive the Notice of Allowability, the Notice of Allowance and/or the Notice of Abandonment in the above-captioned application at either the corporate address or my home

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